The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) are proposing a Programmatic Agreement (PA) to be used by the FHWA, Caltrans and local agencies to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR part 800. This process will be used in lieu of current Section 106 compliance procedures for considering historic and archaeological resources during environmental review for State highway and local road projects that will receive FHWA funding or other FHWA approval action.

The proposed PA is now available for public review and comment. The formal comment period will end on May 1<sup>st</sup> 2003.

To view information about the proposed PA, review the text of the proposed agreement, and for information on where to direct comments please use the links below.

FHWA Transmittal Letter To Federal Agencies (140kb)

FHWA Transmittal Letter To Indian Tribes (116 kb)

FHWA Transmittal Letter To Local Agencies (136kb)

FHWA Transmittal Letter To Preservation Groups (132 kb)

Letter Attachment 1- Concordance Between Existing Regulations And Programmatic Agreement (164 kb)

Letter Attachment 2 - Proposed Programmatic Agreement- Changes From Existing Procedures (136 kb)

Letter Attachment 3- Proposed Programmatic Agreement Among The Federal Highway Administration, The Advisory Council On Historic Preservation, The California State Historic Preservation Officer And The California Department Of Transportation Regarding Compliance With Section 106 Of The National Historic Preservation Act, As It Pertains To The Federal-Aid Highway Program In California.

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